

Economic Growth Region 10 Summary

Economic Growth Region 10 is located in the southernmost center of the state. The region is bordered on the south by the Ohio River and the State of Kentucky, on the north by Economic Growth Regions 8 and 9, and on the west by EGR 11. It is located in an area of rolling hills with many scenic views of the Ohio River. The six counties in Region 10 include Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Scott and Washington counties. Clark, Floyd, Harrison and Washington Counties are part of the Louisville Metropolitan Statistical Area. The City of Corydon in Harrison County was the first state capitol of Indiana.

Region 10's population for 2007 was 277,290, up 5.6 percent from the 2000 Census total. During this time period, Indiana's total 2007 estimated population of 6,345,289 was up by 4.4 percent. Region 10 ranked second of Indiana's Economic Growth Regions in population gain between 2000 and 2007. Clark and Floyd are the two most populous counties in the region with 105,035 and 73,064 residents, respectively. Clark, Harrison, and Floyd Counties accounted for the largest population gains in the region between 2000 and 2007. County seats in the region are: Corydon in Harrison County, English in Crawford County, Jeffersonville in Clark County, New Albany in Floyd County, Salem in Washington County and Scottsburg in Scott County.

In 2007, an annual average of 6,198 firms provided an estimated 103,652 jobs in 2007. Three major industry sectors: trade, transportation, & utilities, manufacturing and education & health services (includes public schools and medical facilities) dominated the region in terms of employment. These three industry sectors accounted for almost 62 percent of the region's 2007 industry employment. The largest employing industry in the region was trade, transportation & utilities which had 23,682 jobs for nearly 23 percent of total industry employment. The industry showing the most growth in jobs since 2001 was education & health services, increasing 2,257 jobs or almost 13 percent.

The two largest manufacturing sectors in Region 10 in 2007 were transportation equipment manufacturing and wood product manufacturing. Computer & electronic product manufacturing and wood product manufacturing added the most jobs between 2001 and 2007 -- 543 and 143 respectively. Computer & electronic products also had the largest percentage gain, followed by primary metals products. Overall, manufacturing declined between 2001 and 2007, down 2,554 jobs or 11 percent.

The 2007 all-industry earnings average for Region 10 was \$32,163, up \$5,341 or 19.9 percent above the region's 2001 average. The State of Indiana's all-industry annual wage was \$37,528. Only one of Region 10's eleven industry super-sectors (including government) had annual average earnings greater than the Indiana average for that industry. This industry was leisure & hospitality, posting \$16,063 to the State's \$15,024. In Region 10, manufacturing had the highest average earnings at \$41,141 per year in 2007, compared to the State's manufacturing industry wage average of \$51,144 in 2007. Annual earnings at area financial institutions increased the most between 2001 and 2007, up \$8,985 to \$38,999.

Source of Employment and Wage Data: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW).

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